



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant(s): Todd  
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RANDOM SPROCKET  
Art Unit: 3682  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

The Applicant respectfully provides this response to the Office action of August 11, 2004:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 17 of this paper.

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